

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 18, please amend paragraph [0072] as follows:

[0072] FIG. 7A depicts a top plan view of a portion of a pixel cell 700 having a gate, which is illustratively a transfer gate 750, comprising three gate regions: 750a, 750b, and 750c. FIG. 7B depicts a cross sectional view of the pixel cell 700 along line 7B-7B'. The transfer gate regions 750b and 750c have higher work-functions than gate region ~~750b~~750a.